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GROUP 1700 PATENT APPLICATION



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Katsuhiko TAKAHASHI, et al.)
Application No.: 09/672,769)
Filed: September 29, 2000)
For: AQUEOUS INK COMPOSITION)
FOR INK JET, INK CARTRIDGE,)
RECORDING UNIT, INK JET)
RECORDING APPARATUS, AND :
INK JET RECORDING METHOD)
Examiner: C. Shosho
Group Art Unit: 1714
August 4, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the final Office Action dated April 9, 2003 for one (1) month from July 9, 2003 to August 9, 2003.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$ 110.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

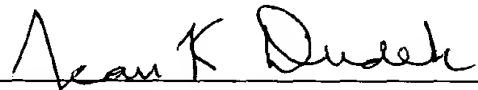
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